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**RE: *Open Records Request – Dated August 8, 2019 for records related to Ring and possible Promotional Discount Agreements (see attached request)***

Dear Ms. Haskins:

Your public records request will be granted subject to redaction as described below:

- a. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.35(1)(a) In balancing the interests of the public's right to receive such information and the subject's right to privacy and possible adverse effects on the subject's reputation, privacy, or safety, the rights of the subjects outweigh the public interests with respect to various records you have requested. Accordingly, the personal information on the Ring Surveillance Camera Agreements has been redacted, along with a code provided by RING for Green Bay Police employees to utilize if purchasing a RING product and a pin number used for meeting.
- b. The names, email addresses, and other contact information of Ring employees have been redacted pursuant to *Kraemer Brothers v. Dane County* 229 Wis. 2d 86. Privacy interests of employees of private companies contracting with a public entity outweigh the public interest in disclosure.

The determination not to release certain records is subject to review by mandamus under Wis. Stat. §19.37(1) or upon application to the Attorney General or District Attorney.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa M. Wachowski".

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To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Wisconsin Open Records Act, I hereby request the following records:

Law enforcement agencies around the country are entering into Promotional Discount Agreements with Ring, Amazon's home security camera company.  
([https://www.vice.com/en\\_us/article/d3ag37/us-cities-are-helping-people-buy-amazon-surveillance-cameras-using-taxpayer-money](https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/d3ag37/us-cities-are-helping-people-buy-amazon-surveillance-cameras-using-taxpayer-money)) These agreements direct city funds toward providing a discount on Ring products, such as doorbell cameras.

Therefore, I hereby request the following records related to Ring and possible Promotional Discount Agreements:

- 1) All calendar invitations, instructional materials, presentations and presentation materials (including recorded video and audio, PowerPoint files, prepared remarks, and slides formats), and other documents that mention Ring devices and/or the Neighbors app. This includes A) any minutes/notes taking during meetings that discussed the use of Ring devices and/or the Neighbors app, B) any explanations (whether internally or externally generated) of how Ring devices and/or the Neighbors app work, and C) any other document that has been used to help explain the use, marketing, or promotion of Ring devices and/or the Neighbors app to any party, including internal documentation, public relations materials, and executive summaries.
- 2) A copy of any privacy impact assessments, use policies, standard operating procedures, data retention policies, legal opinions, warranties, non-disclosure agreements, contracts, liability waivers, insurance agreements, Promotional Discount Agreements, Requests for Proposals, Responses to Requests for Proposal, Memorandums of Understanding, Letters of Interest, usage policies, or informal agreements between the city and Ring.
- 3) A copy of any funding opportunity announcements, grant applications and grantor status/progress reports, reports to legislative bodies, annual reports that mention Ring or the Neighbors app, as well as audit records, including but not limited to security audits of the software, misuse reports, and reports to oversight bodies.
- 4) Any digital communications including but not limited to emails and text messages) as well as documents,

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(including but not limited to PDF, word processing, excel, and slide documents) that mention Ring or the Neighbors app.

5) Any digital communications (including but not limited to emails and text messages) with Ring representatives.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes. It will be used in the course of reporting for Motherboard, VICE's science and technology website ([www.motherboard.vice.com](http://www.motherboard.vice.com)).

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In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 business days.

Sincerely,

Caroline Haskins

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